

Be it remembered that at the Regular Meeting of the Luna County Board of County Commissioners in Deming New Mexico, on the 10th day of June, 2021, the following proceedings were had and entered of record.

PROCLAMATION 21-06

SUPPORTING ENHANCED SECURITY ON THE BORDER

WHEREAS, Luna County is one of three New Mexico Counties forming the 180 mile border with the Republic of Mexico, with 60 miles of border lying within Luna County;

WHEREAS, the border between the United States of America and the Republic of Mexico is the most frequently legally and illegally crossed international boundary in the world;

WHEREAS, Luna County has long suffered the consequences of illegal border crossings, inconsistent immigration enforcement and ill-advised federal government policies;

WHEREAS, in addition to the harm done to our community by illegal immigration, the release of any migrants, legal or otherwise, without comprehensive investigation into each migrant, has resulted in the release from Federal custody of individuals with criminal convictions, charges or affiliations and poses a direct and immediate threat to the health, safety and well-being of the citizens of Luna County;

WHEREAS, Federal immigration policies, or lack thereof, pose a continuing threat to human life as crime flourishes along the border, including damage to and loss of property, trespassing, home invasion, the expense of law enforcement efforts and the costs of services and benefits to the victims of border crimes;

WHEREAS, the power granted by New Mexico law to County Commissioners to provide for the safety, preserve the health, promote prosperity and improve morals, order, comfort and convenience in the county and for its inhabitants is wholly ineffective in addressing the risks created as a direct result of the current release policies of the United States Government; and,


WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of Luna County supports all efforts to enhance border security and improving the safety of border communities like Luna County.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED, that the Board of County Commissioners of Luna County, on behalf of employees and citizens of Luna County, declares its support for the Protect Americans from Foreign Criminals Act of 2021 proposed by Representative Yvette Herrell (R-NM).

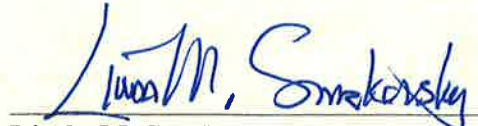
Done at Deming, New Mexico this 10th day of June, 2021

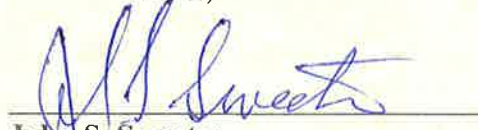
Luna County Board of County Commissioners

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